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Dr. Mara Gonzalez graduated from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Autonomous National University of Mexico. She occupied several positions within the Veterinary Services of Mexico in the areas related to risk analysis and regionalization for the international recognition of disease free zones. She was the Director of Importation, Exportation, Services and Livestock Certification which responsibilities included negotiations of free trade agreements on SPS issues, negotiation and implementation of protocols for trade of animals, animal products, by-products and livestock supplies. Her responsibilities comprised also the registration and certification of veterinary products.

She conducted several consultancies in the same areas of expertise and participated as invited professor in the four cycles of the Master Technologic on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, implemented by the Postgraduate College of Mexico in collaboration with the International Regional Organization for Animal and Plant Health (OIRSA).

In 2004 she joined the Headquarters of the OIRSA in El Salvador, Central America, where she was in charge of the Unit for Epidemiology and Risk Analysis.

In 2008 she joined the of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) as Deputy Head of the Regional Activities Department, where she was in charge of the coordination of OIE capacity building activities, and provided support for the implementation pf the PVS pathway.

Her current position since 1 July 2016 is Head of the Events Coordination Unit of the OIE where she continues in charge of the coordination of OIE capacity building, but comprising also global conferences, OIE General Session, and scientific symposiums.